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SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR APPORTIONMENT OF THE REGULAR BUDGET EXPENSES

Scale of assessments for the fiscal period 2000-2001

Note by the Secretariat

Proposes a scale of assessments for the fiscal period 2000-2001, based on the application of the assessments rates adopted in resolution 52/215 by the United Nations General Assembly for the year 2000, adjusted to the membership of UNIDO.

I. SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS

1. In accordance with Article 15.1 of the Constitution of UNIDO, "regular budget expenditures shall be borne by the Members, as apportioned in accordance with a scale of assessment established by the Conference by a two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting, upon the recommendation of the Board adopted by a two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting, on the basis of a draft prepared by the Programme and Budget Committee."

2. Article 15.2 states that "the scale of assessments shall be based to the extent possible on the scale most recently employed by the United Nations. No Member shall be assessed more than twenty-five per cent of the regular budget of the Organization."

3. On 22 December 1997, the General Assembly adopted resolution 52/215 containing a new United Nations scale of assessments for the years 1998, 1999 and 2000. The proposed scale of assessments for contributions to the UNIDO regular budget for the fiscal period 2000-2001 is therefore based on the United Nations scale of assessments for the year 2000, adjusted to the membership of UNIDO.

4. Adjustments to the scale to include any State that may become a Member between now and the closure of the eighth session of the General Conference in accordance with Articles 3, 24 and 25 of the Constitution will be communicated to the Conference.

5. The application of the assessment rates adopted by the General Assembly for the year 2000 to the Member States of UNIDO in 2000 and 2001 results in a total of

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71.352 per cent, owing to differences in membership between the United Nations and UNIDO (see column 1 of annex). To produce a scale of assessment that covers 100 per cent of regular budget expenditures, it is necessary to apply a mathematical coefficient to the United Nations rates for UNIDO Member States. The coefficient is not applied to the rates of United Nations Member States paying the minimum assessment of 0.001 per cent, and it ensures that the maximum rate of any UNIDO Member State does not exceed 25 per cent. The coefficient calculation is shown in the table below.

6. Column 2 of the annex to the present note shows the adjusted rates for the scale of assessments for the fiscal period 2000-2001 for States that were Members of UNIDO as of 31 January 1999, by applying the coefficient 1.4772705 as explained in paragraph 5 above. Column 3 shows assessment rates for the fiscal period 1998-1999, which have been included for information purposes only.

7. In accordance with financial regulation 5.6, new Members shall be assessed for the year in which they become Members at rates to be determined by the Conference.

II. CURRENCY OF ASSESSMENTS

8. With effect from 1 January 1999, the Austrian schilling became a denomination of the euro and the exchange rate between the euro and the Austrian schilling was irrevocably fixed at euro 1 = Austrian schillings 13.7603. During the transition period for the replacement of Austrian schillings by euros, i.e. 1 January 1999 to 31 December 2001, the assessments will be shown in United States dollars and Austrian schillings, as well as the equivalent of the Austrian schilling amount in euros. Appropriate amendments to financial regulations 5.1(d) and 5.5(e) to replace references to Austrian schillings to euros will be initiated in due course.

III. ACTION REQUIRED OF THE COMMITTEE

9. The Committee may wish to propose to the Industrial Development Board the adoption of the following draft decision:

"The Industrial Development Board:

"(a) Recommends to the General Conference the establishment of a scale of assessment for the fiscal period 2000-2001 based on the General Assembly resolution 52/215, adjusted to the membership of UNIDO on the understanding that new Members shall be assessed for the year in which they become Members on the basis of the United Nations scale of assessments, as applicable to UNIDO;

"(b) Urges Member States to pay their assessed contributions for the 2000-2001 biennium in accordance with financial regulation 5.5 (b)."

Table
Calculation of coefficient
(Percentage)

	UNITED NATIONS *Rate of assessment* *2000*	UNIDO *Rate of assessment* *2000-2001*
Total	71.352	100.000
UNIDO Member State with the highest assessment	20.573	25.000
UNIDO Member States paying the minimum assessment (0.001 per cent x 30 States)	0.030	0.030
Total for calculation of coefficient	50.749	74.970
Coefficient for 2000-2001: 74.970/50.749	1.4772705	

Annex

SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD 2000-2001
(Percentage)

Member State	*United Nations assessment rates for year 2000* [a] (1)	*UNIDO assessment rates for 2000 and 2001* [b] (2)	*UNIDO assessment rates 1998-1999* (3)
Afghanistan	0.003	0.004	0.01
Albania	0.003	0.004	0.01
Algeria	0.086	0.127	0.23
Angola	0.010	0.015	0.01
Argentina	1.103	1.629	0.68
Armenia	0.006	0.009	0.07
Austria	0.942	1.392	1.23
Azerbaijan	0.011	0.016	0.16
Bahamas	0.015	0.022	0.03
Bahrain	0.017	0.025	0.03
Bangladesh	0.010	0.015	0.01
Barbados	0.008	0.012	0.01
Belarus	0.057	0.084	0.40
Belgium	1.104	1.631	1.43
Belize	0.001	0.001	0.01
Benin	0.002	0.003	0.01
Bhutan	0.001	0.001	0.01
Bolivia	0.007	0.010	0.01
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.005	0.007	0.01
Botswana	0.010	0.015	0.01
Brazil	1.471	2.173	2.29
Bulgaria	0.011	0.016	0.11
Burkina Faso	0.002	0.003	0.01
Burundi	0.001	0.001	0.01
Cambodia	0.001	0.001	0.01
Cameroon	0.013	0.019	0.01
Cape Verde	0.002	0.003	0.01
Central African Republic	0.001	0.001	0.01
Chad	0.001	0.001	0.01
Chile	0.136	0.201	0.11
China	0.995	1.470	1.05
Colombia	0.109	0.161	0.14
Comoros	0.001	0.001	0.01
Congo	0.003	0.004	0.01
Costa Rica	0.016	0.024	0.01
Côte d'Ivoire	0.009	0.013	0.01
Croatia	0.030	0.044	0.13
Cuba	0.024	0.036	0.07
Cyprus	0.034	0.050	0.04
Czech Republic	0.107	0.158	0.35
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	0.015	0.022	0.07
Democratic Republic of the Congo	0.007	0.010	0.01
Denmark	0.692	1.022	1.02
Djibouti	0.001	0.001	0.01

Member State	*United Nations assessment rates for year 2000* [a] (1)	*UNIDO assessment rates for 2000 and 2001* [b] (2)	*UNIDO assessment rates 1998-1999* (3)
Dominica	0.001	0.001	0.01
Dominican Republic	0.015	0.022	0.01
Ecuador	0.020	0.030	0.03
Egypt	0.065	0.096	0.11
El Salvador	0.012	0.018	0.01
Equatorial Guinea	0.001	0.001	0.01
Eritrea	0.001	0.001	0.01
Ethiopia	0.006	0.009	0.01
Fiji	0.004	0.006	0.01
Finland	0.543	0.802	0.88
France	6.545	9.669	9.09
Gabon	0.015	0.022	0.01
Gambia	0.001	0.001	0.01
Georgia	0.007	0.010	0.16
Germany	9.857	14.562	12.82
Ghana	0.007	0.010	0.01
Greece	0.351	0.519	0.54
Grenada	0.001	0.001	0.01
Guatemala	0.018	0.027	0.03
Guinea	0.003	0.004	0.01
Guinea-Bissau	0.001	0.001	0.01
Guyana	0.001	0.001	0.01
Haiti	0.002	0.003	0.01
Honduras	0.003	0.004	0.01
Hungary	0.120	0.177	0.20
India	0.299	0.442	0.44
Indonesia	0.188	0.278	0.20
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	0.161	0.238	0.64
Iraq	0.032	0.047	0.20
Ireland	0.224	0.331	0.30
Israel	0.350	0.517	0.38
Italy	5.437	8.032	7.43
Jamaica	0.006	0.009	0.01
Japan	20.573	25.000	22.15
Jordan	0.006	0.009	0.01
Kazakhstan	0.048	0.071	0.27
Kenya	0.007	0.010	0.01
Kuwait	0.128	0.189	0.27
Kyrgyzstan	0.006	0.009	0.04
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.001	0.001	0.01
Lebanon	0.016	0.024	0.01
Lesotho	0.002	0.003	0.01
Liberia	0.002	0.003	0.01
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	0.124	0.183	0.28
Lithuania	0.015	0.022	0.11
Luxembourg	0.068	0.101	0.10
Madagascar	0.003	0.004	0.01
Malawi	0.002	0.003	0.01
Malaysia	0.183	0.270	0.20

Member State	*United Nations assessment rates for year 2000* [a] (1)	*UNIDO assessment rates for 2000 and 2001* [b] (2)	*UNIDO assessment rates 1998-1999* (3)
Maldives	0.001	0.001	0.01
Mali	0.002	0.003	0.01
Malta	0.014	0.021	0.01
Mauritania	0.001	0.001	0.01
Mauritius	0.009	0.013	0.01
Mexico	0.995	1.470	1.12
Mongolia	0.002	0.003	0.01
Morocco	0.041	0.061	0.04
Mozambique	0.001	0.001	0.01
Myanmar	0.008	0.012	0.01
Namibia	0.007	0.010	0.01
Nepal	0.004	0.006	0.01
Netherlands	1.632	2.411	2.25
New Zealand	0.221	0.327	0.34
Nicaragua	0.001	0.001	0.01
Niger	0.002	0.003	0.01
Nigeria	0.032	0.047	0.16
Norway	0.610	0.901	0.79
Oman	0.051	0.075	0.06
Pakistan	0.059	0.087	0.08
Panama	0.013	0.019	0.01
Papua New Guinea	0.007	0.010	0.01
Paraguay	0.014	0.021	0.01
Peru	0.099	0.146	0.08
Philippines	0.081	0.120	0.08
Poland	0.196	0.290	0.47
Portugal	0.431	0.637	0.40
Qatar	0.033	0.049	0.06
Republic of Korea	1.006	1.486	1.16
Republic of Moldova	0.010	0.015	0.11
Romania	0.056	0.083	0.21
Russian Federation	1.077	1.591	6.04
Rwanda	0.001	0.001	0.01
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.001	0.001	0.01
Saint Lucia	0.001	0.001	0.01
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.001	0.001	0.01
Sao Tome and Principe	0.001	0.001	0.01
Saudi Arabia	0.562	0.830	1.00
Senegal	0.006	0.009	0.01
Seychelles	0.002	0.003	0.01
Sierra Leone	0.001	0.001	0.01
Slovakia	0.035	0.052	0.11
Slovenia	0.061	0.090	0.10
Somalia	0.001	0.001	0.01
Spain	2.591	3.828	3.37
Sri Lanka	0.012	0.018	0.01
Sudan	0.007	0.010	0.01
Suriname	0.004	0.006	0.01
Swaziland	0.002	0.003	0.01

Member State	*United Nations assessment rates for year 2000* [a] (1)	*UNIDO assessment rates for 2000 and 2001* [b] (2)	*UNIDO assessment rates 1998-1999* (3)
Sweden	1.079	1.594	1.74
Switzerland[c]	1.215	1.795	1.71
Syrian Arab Republic	0.064	0.095	0.08
Tajikistan	0.004	0.006	0.03
Thailand	0.170	0.251	0.18
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	0.004	0.006	0.01
Togo	0.001	0.001	0.01
Tonga[c]	0.001	0.001	0.01
Trinidad and Tobago	0.016	0.024	0.04
Tunisia	0.028	0.041	0.04
Turkey	0.440	0.650	0.54
Turkmenistan	0.006	0.009	0.04
Uganda	0.004	0.006	0.01
Ukraine	0.190	0.281	1.54
United Arab Emirates	0.178	0.263	0.27
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	5.092	7.522	7.53
United Republic of Tanzania	0.003	0.004	0.01
Uruguay	0.048	0.071	0.06
Uzbekistan	0.025	0.037	0.18
Vanuatu	0.001	0.001	0.01
Venezuela	0.160	0.236	0.47
Viet Nam	0.007	0.010	0.01
Yemen	0.010	0.015	0.01
Yugoslavia[d]	0.026	0.038	0.14
Zambia	0.002	0.003	0.01
Zimbabwe	0.009	0.013	0.01
Total	**71.352**	**100.000**	**100.0**

[a] Based on General Assembly resolution 52/215.

[b] The scale in column (1) multiplied by the coefficient of 1.4772705. Coefficient is not applied to Member States with the maximum assessment rate of 25 per cent and the minimum rates of 0.001 per cent.

[c] Non-Member States of the United Nations that are Members of UNIDO.

[d] In accordance with General Conference resolution GC/S.1/Res.1, the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) cannot continue automatically the membership of the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia in UNIDO. Subject to any amendment to the United Nations scale of assessments approved by the United Nations General Assembly, this rate will apply to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) should it apply for membership in UNIDO and be accepted.